

[S. R. Powell e-mail to Brian Lockman, 02-21-2015]

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Dear Brian:

The response in northeastern Pennsylvania to the Lockman/Powell interview on the D&H on PCN on February 15th has been enthusiastic and wholly positive. Those of us who care deeply about the history of the D&H are thrilled and deeply touched when we hear and read some of the reviews of the broadcast.

One of the comments that we have heard is this: The D&H / anthracite mining story is one that should be presented to a larger audience and in the film medium. More than one person has said that Ken Burns or the History Channel or the Discovery Channel should be made aware of the D&H / anthracite mining story as a film (or maybe a series) possibility.

Now there's an idea. To be sure, "such is the stuff that dreams are made on." (Thank you, Prospero, Act IV, *The Tempest*,)

And now back to reality.

Crazy or not, the idea won't go away--not that I want it to.

Given your professional perspective, at the highest level of media production, perhaps you can suggest a course of action that "the D&H dreamers in Carbondale" might consider? Assemble a package of materials and send it off to Ken Burns and the others? Finding the right person to whom such materials might be sent would surely require some intensive sleuthing about in corporate directories.

In any event, your thoughts and advice about this "dream" will, I assure you, be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

S. Robert Powell